

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A photographic production system, comprising:
 - a first and a second print producing lines each of which comprises plural serial processing devices to produce a photographic printing in response to a work order from a customer to produce the photographic printing;
 - the first print producing line including:
 - a monitoring section to monitor a working status of each of the plural serial processing devices of the first print producing line and to memorize the working status,
 - a request-information generating section to generate request-information to request to conduct a process of one of the plural serial processing devices of the first print producing line on a basis of the working status, and
 - a request-information issuing section to issue the request-information to the second print producing line;
 - and the second print producing line including: and
 - a request-information receiving section to receive the request-information from the request-information issuing section, and
 - a processing result returning section to make the corresponding one of the plural serial processing devices of

the second print producing line to conduct the requested process and to return a processing result to the first print producing line.

2. The photograph production system of claim 1, wherein, the request-information to request to conduct a process including:

identification of the second producing line;
information about which processing devices have been completed; and,

information about which part of the processing device have been completed, when one of the processing device has not been completed.

3. The photographic production system of claim 1 or claim 2, wherein, the second print producing line specified in the request-information includes at least a processing device, which is specified in the request-information to request to conduct a process to the second print producing line.

4. The photographic production system of claim 1 or claim 2, wherein, the processing result includes which processing device has been completed, and processed data when a

processing device, which has been specified in the request-information has been completed.

5. The photographic production system of any one of claim 1-4, wherein, the request-information is issued when one of the serial processing devices is interrupted.

6. A photographic production system for controlling a processing devices alternation between a first and a second photographic print producing lines, the first and the second print producing lines having a first computer and a second computer respectively and plural serial processing devices to produce the photographic printing in response to the work order from the customer to produce the photographic printing, comprising:

the first computer in the first photographic print producing line including:

a memory function to store working status of each of the plural serial processing devices of the first print producing line to complete the work order;

a request-information generating function to generate request-information to conduct a process of one of the plural serial processing devices of the

first print producing line on a basis of the working status, which is stored by the memory function, to the second photographic print producing line; and a request-information issuing function to issue the request-information generated by the request-information generating function; and the second computer in the second photographic print producing line including:

a request-information receiving function to receive the request-information to conduct a process; and

a processing result returning function to make the corresponding one of the plural serial processing devices of the second print producing line to conduct the requested process and to return a processing result to the first print producing line.

7. The photographic production of claim 6, wherein the request-information to request to conduct a process of one of the plural serial processing devices of the first print producing line on a basis of the working status is issued when one of the plural serial producing devices is interrupted.